made in the Central Health Service Rules regarding the method of appointment to the higher post i.e., of Additional Director General H.S.;

(c) whether it is also a fact that when the judgement was sent to the Law Ministry for necessary action it advised for amendment of the above mentioned rules and recommended that filling up the post of D.G.H.S. should be kept in abeyance till the amendments to the effect are made; and

(d) if so, what are the circumstances/reasons for holding a Department Promotion Committee meeting on 21-4-93 for only one candidate for the D.G.H.S. violating the advice of the Law Ministry and the CAT's ruling in this regard; and details thereof and reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (c) Two separate Departmental Promotion Committee proposals, one for filling the post of DGHS and a second for filling the post(s) of ADDITIONAL DGHS were under consideration with UPSC when Central Administrative Tribunal held that while recruitment rules for the post of DGHS were not ultra vires of Article 14 of the Constitution, the recruitment rules for the post of ADDITIONAL DGHS should be amended. The Law Ministry advised amendment of the rules for ADDITIONAL DGHS but did not recommend keeping in abeyance the filling of post of DGHS.

(d) Does not arise.

Homoeopathic Treatment for Cancer, AIDS, etc.

1114. SHRI IQBAL SINGH : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of new drugs in Homoeopathy are being discovered for the treatment of deadly diseases such as AIDS, Cancer, etc.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) and (b) The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) has undertaken research studies in Malignant diseases (Cancer) and HIV infection (AIDS). In the research studies certain new homoeopathic medicines are being clinically tried for HIV infection and the trials are in preliminary stages.

Blindings in U.P. Eye Camps

1115. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item captioned "Blindings in U.P. eye camps—Incompetence of doctors vendetta" as reported in the Hindustan Times dated the 26th March, 1993;

(b) if so, whether the camps organised by Mohan Lal Memorial Gandhi Eye Hospital in some villages of Aligarh district have rendered people into blindness;

(c) whether the Central Government propose to send a Central Team to Aligarh to watch the functioning of the memorial hospital; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of Uttar Pradesh has reported that 60 eye operations were performed by Mohan Lal Memorial Gandhi Eye Hospital, Aligarh, a privately managed trust in November, 1992 in three villages of Aligarh. The enquiry conducted by the State Government has revealed that out of the 45 cases which could be contacted, 5 cases have been unsuccessful due to infection, patient's own negligence or due to post-operative complications.

(c) and (d) In view of the State Govts'. enquiry there is no proposal to send a Central team for enquiry. However, the State health authorities have been asked to contact the remaining patients and give a complete report.

Hospital/Dispensary at Vasundhara Enclave

1116. SHRI GAYA SINGH : Will the Minister of HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state by when the construction of Hospital/well-equipped dispensary is likely to be taken up on the vacant site marked for Dispensary by DDA in Vasundhara Enclave to provide health care for thousands of residents of Vasundhara Enclave and nearby colonies of trans-Hindon Area lacking medical facility at present ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : Delhi Administration have reported that there is no proposal at present for establishment of a hospital/dispensary at Vasundhara Enclave.

Supply of Drugs Medicines

1117. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report which appeared in the 'Jansatta' dated 5-4-93 regarding new arrangements of supply of drugs/medicines; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government in the matter and the action, if any, taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Supplies of the drug kits have started as per schedule following the placement of orders by DGS & D in the first week of April, 1993.

Details of AIDS Cases

1118. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of cases of AIDS detected, state-wise;

(b) the details of measures taken by Government to prevent AIDS; and

(c) the details of allocations made in the current budget for containing AIDS with percentage of total budget for Health ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) A statement is enclosed (*See* below).

(b) The main strategies of the Programme consist of generation of awareness leading to avoidance of high risk behaviour, promotion of blood safety and rational use of blood, control of Sexually Transmitted Diseases and better clinical management of AIDS Cases.

(c) During the year 1993-94, a provision of Rs. 72.66 crores has been